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POWER
LOK SABHA

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POWER SURVEY REPORT
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have recently released a 16th Power Survey Report;

(b) if so, whether the Government have also asked the Central Electricity Authority to complete a preliminary survey in this regard; and

(c) if so, the steps Government have taken towards meeting the electricity needs of the country by exploiting hydropower in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. The Government has finalised the Sixteenth Electric PowerSurvey Report. The Report has highlighted that the energy requirement by 2004-05 and 2011-12 would be 635 BUs and 975 BUs, respectively. The corresponding peak load would be 1,02,161 MW and 1,57,107 MW. The Report has been prepared after conducting a detailed survey.

(c) : The Government had announced a Policy on Hydro Power Developmentin August 1998 with the objective of accelerating the pace of exploitation of hydro power in the country. As against the existing hydel capacity of 2644 MW under the CentralSector as on 31st January, 2001, Government has sanctioned 6 hydroelectric projects with a capacity of 1265 MW for commissioning during the 10th Five Year Plan. Separately, advance action in respect of hydel projects involving more than 20,000 MW capacity has also been initiated for capacity addition during the 11th Five Year Plan and beyond. The Government is also taking steps to streamline and accelerate the process of Survey and Investigation of new hydroelectric sites so as to have a shelf of projects which could be taken up for speedy execution.